

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Olaf Vedvei and Helen McLain exchanged their wedding vows on October 30, 1955, at Lake Preston Lutheran Church, promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Alec and Helen gave life and love to four children: Jean, Alan, Charles and Jon, who in turn blessed them with twelve grandchildren and two grandchildren-in-law; and,

Whereas, Alec and Helen spent most of their married life on the farm north of Lake Preston before moving to their home in Lake Preston in 1990 and are active members of the Lake Preston Lutheran Church; and,

Whereas, Alec and Helen enjoy playing all types of card games - 500, rattle, whist, and bridge - and they enjoy spending time traveling to watch their grandchildren in extra-curricular activities; and,

Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Alec and Helen have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, Their family will come together for an open house at the Community Room in Lake Preston on October 9, 2005, to honor and celebrate 50 years of marriage of a devoted couple who has shared life's beauty and sorrow and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognize and commemorate this memorable milestone in the life of his favorite father-in-law and mother-in-law:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 30, 2005, as

ALEC AND HELEN VEDVEI DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Seventh Day of October in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State